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SUBJECT: SPANDAU PRISON

REF: LANDFAIR--VAN HEUVEN TELECON OF 17 AUGUST

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1. "TAGESSPIEGEL" (INDEP) AND "NACHT DEPESCHE" (PRO-SPD) TODAY CARRIED LARGELY SIMILAR ADN REPORTS DATELINED WASHINGTON TO THE EFFECT THAT ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED ON AUGUST 16 FROM "INFORMED CIRCLES" IN WASHINGTON, THE WESTERN ALLIES ARE PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH THE SOVIETS ABOUT THE FUTURE OF SPANDAU.

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NO DECISION WAS REPORTED TO HAVE YET BEEN TAKEN. THE EXCHANGE WAS SAID TO HAVE BEEN BROUGHT ABOUT BY FACT THAT AFTER RELEASE OF SPEER AND VON SCHIRACH, ONLY HESS WOULD REMAIN, AND THAT THIS RAISED THE QUESTION WHAT PURPOSE THERE WOULD BE IN MAINTAINING EXTENSIVE QUADRIPARTITE APPARATUS FOR ONLY ONE MAN.

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